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Our Case No. 8627-51  
Client Ref. No. PA-5322-RFB

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
Brian Bates )  
Serial No.: 10/092,095 ) Examiner: Sarah K Webb  
Filing Date: March 6, 2002 ) Group Art Unit No.: 3731  
For: PARTIALLY COVERED )  
INTRALUMINAL SUPPORT )  
DEVICE )

**SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**  
**(Request for Continued Examination)**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 14, 2005, Applicant requests continued examination of the application. Accordingly, Applicant requests consideration of the following amendments and the remarks below.